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1. The Rosslauer Schiffswerft employs 1800 workers.* Probably because of a mistake in planning, the yard received an order for the production of loggers and seiners which exceeded its quota for 1950. The extra work caused by this order created a shortage in the supply of materials and ships' fittings. In spite of this, the extra production, which for the most part involves reparations orders, must be delivered on schedule and necessitates overtime work which is carried on in two shifts of eleven hours each. Production costs have increased because overtime wages must be paid as well as the pay of extra workmen who were hired to complete the order on time.
2. About 160 men from the Rosslauer Schiffswerft were assigned to this work as well as some 60 extra workers who were transferred there from other Baltic shipyards. Materials, especially outer metal plates, have been short at the yard since November 1950. Some of the workers have been employed in the construction of permanent buildings, others have been idle.
3. The Elbe Werft in Rosslau employs 850 workers. This yard has had constant difficulties in obtaining materials and this has resulted in a failure to complete its monthly quota.

* Comment: A previous report stated that this yard employed about 600 workers.

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